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MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Talbot House

AND/OR COMMON

Law offices: Feeley, Bevans, Glass**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER

209 Courtland Ave.

CITY, TOWN

Towson

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT☒ BUILDING(S)☐ STRUCTURE☐ SITE☐ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC☒ PRIVATE☐ BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS☐ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED☐ UNOCCUPIED☐ WORK IN PROGRESS

ACCESSIBLE

☒ YES: RESTRICTED☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED☐ NO

PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE☒ COMMERCIAL☐ EDUCATIONAL☐ ENTERTAINMENT☐ GOVERNMENT☐ INDUSTRIAL☐ MILITARY☐ MUSEUM☐ PARK☐ PRIVATE RESIDENCE☐ RELIGIOUS☐ SCIENTIFIC☐ TRANSPORTATION☐ OTHER:**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Michael John Lambros

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTIONCOURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.New Courts Building

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CITY, TOWN

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STATE

Maryland**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		DATE <u>Summer, 1978</u>

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

There are three longitudinally planned houses in a row on Courtland Ave., each characterized by being a two story frame structure with a finished attic resting on a high foundation. The gable-end roof has deeply corniced eaves with block brackets. This building is two bays wide, four bays deep, and is covered with asbestos shingle. The fenestration is a regular 1/1 sash.

The street facade faces West and features a single story porch. This porch is characterized by a shed roof which simulates a half pediment on its end. This house differs slightly from the others in that square columns replace the fluted doric columns supporting the roof.

An entrance door occupies the north bay, while a modern 10 light window replaces the original in the south bay of the first level. A pair of 6/6 sash windows vent the gable end.

The fenestration of the south facade is regular, however, there are only three evenly spaced windows on the first level, while a window occupies each bay of the second level. A centrally located corbeled brick chimney exits the roof south of the ridge.

A two story, one bay wing projects to the east, and is topped by a shed roof.

The fenestration of the north facade differs from the south in that the westernmost bays are windowless with the exception of a single light casement window in the east bay lighting a staircase within.

Upon entering the house one finds a main parlor to the south and a staircase along the north wall. This stair has closed string steps with a minimum of decoration and square newel post and balusters.

The main parlor leads to the dining area, which leads to the third division occupied by a kitchen to the south and bathroom to the north. A wing projects to the east.

The moldings are plain, rectangular in shape with square corner blocks. The solid doors are characterized by five lateral panels and glass knobs with oval metal plates and embossed beads.

The upstairs is defined by the side hall plan, containing three bedrooms and a bathroom. The hallway has a curvilinear wall to accommodate a banister. There is a closet at the west end of the hall.

Details include corner guards, and hot water radiators.

The attic has a false knee wall and trapezoidal ceiling. There are two rooms of equal size lighted by the windows in the gable end.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)	
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES 1915

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

See Attachment

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

WAYNE L. NIELD, II
HISTORIC TOWSON, INC.

D. Owings

ORGANIZATION

DATE

Summer 1978

STREET & NUMBER

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

STATE

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 267-1438

TITLE SEARCH for # 209 COURTLAND AVE.

Liber 4243, Folio 613 December 13, 1963
Grantor: Fannie F. King (widow) et. al.
Grantee: Michael John Lambros & wife

"Beginning...east side of Courtland Ave. at the distance of 144'8"
southerly from southeast corner or intersection of Courtland and
Susquehanna Ave...35'4"...112½'...known as # 209 Courtland Ave."

Liber 1524, Folio 111 November 2, 1946
Grantor: Milton R. Smith & wife
Grantee: Fannie F. King

Liber 1345, Folio 344 June 15, 1944
Grantor: Dilsworth A. Talbott & wife
Grantee: Fannie F. King

Liber 1140, Folio 333 December 27, 1940
Grantor: Sophia E. Stieber, widow
Grantee: Dilsworth A. Talbott & wife

Liber 539, Folio 156 March 9, 1921
Grantor: Clinton O. Bosley & wife
Grantee: George H. Stieber & wife

Liber 503, Folio 570 June 3, 1919
Grantor: George C. Tracey & wife
Grantee: Clinton O. Bosley

Liber 511, Folio 27 April 28, 1919
Grantor: William P. Cole & wife
Grantee: George C. Tracey

Being lots #4 & #5 on part of land of Franklin J. Morton Plat Book 3/138

Liber 466, Folio 309 August 21, 1916
Grantor: Marion H. Merryman
Grantee: William P. Cole

Being...3rd lot described in
Mortgage-January 4, 1913 408/407
Marion H. Merryman to J. Milton Benson

Liber 390, Folio 386 February 17, 1912
Grantor: Franklin J. Morton
Grantee: Marion H. Merryman

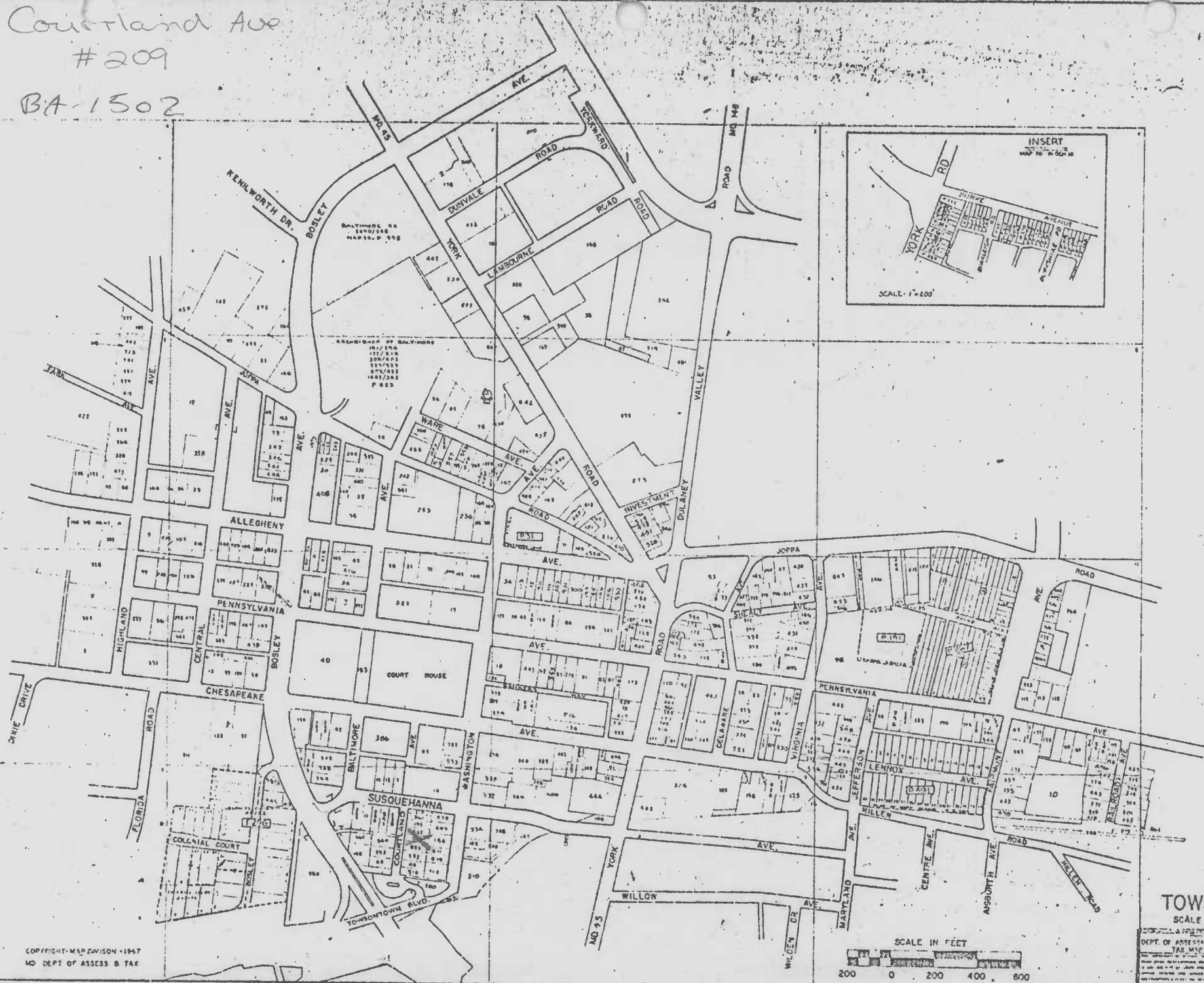
TITLE SEARCH CONTINUED

The 1911 Tax Assessment Records for Baltimore County record Marion H. Merryman as owning new in 1915 three houses on Courtland Ave. on lots on the southwest corner of Washington Avenue, 35' x 112'. The 1915 Bromley Atlas shows only three houses on Courtland Avenue at this time, one of which occupies the same lot as this house. Therefore, this house was probably built in 1915.

Courtland Ave

#209

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MD DEPT OF ASSESS & TAX

SCALE IN FEET
200 0 200 400 600

TOWSON
SCALE 1"=200'

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TAX MAP DIVISION
BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND
1947



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#209 COURTLAND AVE.
N.W. CORNER

W. NIELD
9/78